

W.C.R.O. Will of Sir Thomas Cotton Cleric. 1560.

In the name of God Amen I Sir Thomas Cotton cleric the parson of Lighthorne in the County of Warwick being whole and perfect of memory Thanks be to God & sick of body do ordain and make this my last will & testament in manner & form following that is to say First I commend my soul to almighty god & all the holy company of heaven beseeching him to forgive me all my trespasses & offences done & committed by me in my whole life time. Item I owe & am indebted to sundry people whose names & sums --- in this my will declared that is to say, to **Mr Hartlet** of Banbury 26s. to **Robert Symonds** 25s. to **Robert Haynes** 40s. to **William Lee** 33s.4d. to **Richard Lee** 13s.4d. to **Alan Townsend** 10s. to **John Holond** £4. to **Richard Davy** 20s.7d. to **Alan Mason** 6s. to **Thomas Masons** wife 6d. to the people of Lighthorne 20d. to **Jone Basse** 20s. to **Katherine Basse** --- & to **Mr.Pope** for a quarter of malt 13s8d. To **Thomas Alan** my kinsman 20s. Item I give & bequeath to the mother church of our diocese 2s. Item all the rest of my goods movable & unmovable cattle debts & rents my debts & burying paid I give & bequeath unto **Katherine Basse** my servant whom I make & ordain my sole executrix of this my last will & testament charging her to see this my last will & testament performed. In witness whereof I have caused this my will to make in the presence of the persons --- the 12 day of October A.D. 1559 **Richard Ley** **William Ley** **John Knight** **John Suffolk**.

Proved at Worcester before Master **Thomas Powell** 10th June A.D.1560.